



ANOTHER LOT OF OUR BOYS ARE OFF TO TRAINING CAMP—THEY'LL HELP ROUT THE HUNS

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THE WEATHER—			
For Nebraska: Generally fair and warmer.			
Deg.		Deg.	
5 a. m.	75	1 p. m.	89
6 a. m.	76	2 p. m.	90
7 a. m.	76	3 p. m.	91
8 a. m.	77	4 p. m.	92
9 a. m.	77	5 p. m.	93
10 a. m.	78	6 p. m.	94
11 a. m.	83	7 p. m.	95
12 m.	85	8 p. m.	96
1 m.	88	9 p. m.	97

# GERMAN ARMY IN FLIGHT

## AS BAVARIA'S AID ARRIVES, ENGLISH RUSH TO RHEIMS

Prince Rupprecht Dispatches Picked Troops; French Army Continues to Cross Marne in Strong Force Northeast of Chateau Thierry; Following Rapidly on Heels of Hun.

**BULLETIN.**  
With the French Army on the Aisne-Marne front, July 22.—There were signs everywhere today that the Germans are destroying the material and munitions in the pocket to the north of the River Marne between Soissons and Rheims, preparatory to the entire evacuation of that area.  
The Germans are having the greatest difficulty in maintaining their communications in the salient. They are unable to utilize most of the railroads leading northward, owing to the incessant harrying from entente-allied aviators and artillery.

London, July 22.—The French troops in Champagne, between the Rivers Suippe and Massiges have regained all their old front line, according to advices reaching London this evening.

Paris, July 22.—Heavy German counter attacks launched for the purpose of checking the progress of the allies between the Marne and the Ourcq today were without avail, according to the war office announcement tonight, and the French and British made further advances in the region of La Croix and Garissoles, as well as northeast of Mont St. Pere.

**By Associated Press.**  
Paris, July 22.—When the Bavarian crown prince answered the German crown prince's appeal for help and sent some of his divisions from the Picardy front to aid the Germans in the Marne salient, an equal number of British divisions were detached from the northern front and moved to the battle sector southwest of Rheims. The British divisions are composed of picked troops.

**Resume Old Places.**  
It is interesting to note that the British divisions on the front southwest of Rheims have again taken the same old place in the battle order which the British occupied when driven back in the May offensive. Their transport from the British front to the Champagne front was executed in a most skillful manner.

**French Cross Marne.**  
French troops, says La Liberte, continue to cross the River Marne in strong force northeast of Chateau Thierry. They are following rapidly on the heels of the enemy, who cannot long hold ground with General de Mitry's army coming up from the south and General de Goutte's army coming from the west. The latter army already has reached the region of Chateau Thierry, General de Goutte's troops, which have been fighting hard since the beginning of the counter offensive last night crushed the effort made by the Germans and took 1,000 prisoners.

**Germans Take Guns Back.**  
Information received in Paris this morning says that French patrols operating beyond Chateau Thierry have learned that the retreat of the Germans extends several miles deep. The German artillery can scarcely be heard, this seemingly indicating that the big guns have been ordered removed to the rear.

In their rapid advance north of the River Ourcq French infantry, recaptured (Continued on Page Three, Column Four).

**Hint Germany May Be Forced to Transfer Troops to Middle East**

London, July 22.—Dispatches from The Hague to the Daily Mail say German newspapers are calling attention to conditions in Russia and hint that Germany may have to be content to hold the western front and transfer active operations to the near middle east.

The annexationist press has repeatedly referred to the warning of the Turkish ambassador that the war cannot be ended in the west and Britain must be smitten in her Asiatic empire.  
The general situation in the west and this much-advertised eastern propaganda form, in the correspondent's opinion, the basis for rumors in Holland that the Germans intend to fall back to the Aisne and their old Somme positions while troops are transferred to the east, but he admits that a solid foundation for the report cannot be discovered.

**Civilians to Enter Camp Taylor Training School**  
Louisville, Ky., July 22.—With the announcement that the officers training school at Camp Zachary Taylor will graduate 1,200 of its 5,358 students August 15, and civilians may now enter this, the only military officers' training school in the United States, Lt. Col. A. H. Carter, commandant, today began a campaign for students. These are wanted from civilian life between the ages of 20 years and 8 months and 40 years and the school provides the first opportunity since last fall for civilians to become officers.

**Edward A. Rumely**  
Life Story of Man Who Bought New York Mail for the Kaiser on Page Ten of This Issue.

## General Hell Trying to Save Pocketed Huns

London, July 22.—One of the German high command actively engaged in endeavoring to find some way of holding up the American forces at the bottom of the pocket, between Rheims and Soissons, is Major General Hell, formerly Field Marshal von Mackensen's chief of staff, who recently was sent to the west front from Ukraine. The Americans captured several documents bearing General Hell's signature.

## ALLEGED OMAHA AUTO THIEVES HELD IN DAKOTA

Omaha House Plats and Kit of Punches in Car; Said to Be Heads of Gang Working Here.

Sioux Falls, S. D., July 22.—It now is reasonably certain that Frank Messex and Genevieve Morris, who were arrested here, will be able to throw light on a long series of automobile robberies in Omaha. This is the opinion of H. J. Nielsen, superintendent of the bureau of criminal identification of Omaha, who came to Sioux Falls when informed of the arrest of the couple.

Messex and the woman with whom he had been consorting for some time, were arrested here last Thursday in an automobile, which Supt. Nielsen has now identified as having been stolen from his garage last May. The local police charge that Messex was away from Sioux Falls at that time. The woman claims she also purchased the car from a stranger at Sioux City.

**Nielsen Identifies Car.**  
After Superintendent Nielsen had identified the car, Detective Ross, of the Sioux Falls police department, gave the automobile a thorough search and found a kit containing punches which are used in changing the numbers on the engines of automobiles, and also some charts which Superintendent Nielsen identified as being Omaha house plats. These plates were marked in such a manner as to show the homes of owners whose cars have been stolen in Omaha during the last few months. How these came into possession of Messex is something which Messex will have to explain in court.

According to the theory of Nielsen, the finding of these plates is another link in the chain of the operations of the Omaha auto stealing gang, which has been preying on automobile owners in that city for some time. During 1917 alone, 241 Ford cars were stolen in Omaha, of which 124 were recovered. The method was always the same, to change the engine number, and the chassis and punches found in the Ford car which Messex and the woman were driving when arrested is believed to be an important clue which may enable the Omaha police to run down the thieves.

**German Empress in Mourning; Trains Delayed by Wounded**  
Geneva, July 22.—Railway traffic between the Rhine towns is greatly disorganized owing to the number of wounded arriving daily from the French front in hospital trains. Trains from Germany are arriving at the Swiss frontier many hours late. The German empress returned to Berlin yesterday in mourning.

## AMERICAN INDIANS ARE TOO CRAFTY FOR GERMAN ENEMIES

**Are "At Home" on Battlefields of France; Show Desert Cunning Before Angry Germans.**  
**CRAFTY FOR GERMAN ENEMIES**  
**By Associated Press.**  
emy, and began firing. The Indians ran through the woods like deer, and finally struck for the water, in an endeavor to reach the south side.  
These Indians, reared along the rivers swim like Hawaiians and are able to remain below the surface for a long time. The Germans saw splashes in the water and began firing until the Indians dived and swam down stream under water. When they came to the surface for air they brought up a handful of clay, which they had grabbed from the river bottom and with this they cameouflaged their hands and face while on the surface for a brief breathing spell.  
Finally the Indians reached the south bank far below the Germans, the current assisting them very materially. Then they crawled back and peered through the bushes and watched the Germans seeking the bronzed figures who apparently had been drowned. The Germans, thoroughly angered, shot the raft to pieces.

## AMERICANS CROSS MARNE ON HEELS OF HARASSED FOE

### HUNS STRIKE FIERCE BLOW IN EFFORT TO RESCUE ARMY

Allies Will Win Great Victory If They Break Through Concentrations Near Fismes.

**By Associated Press.**  
Washington, July 22.—The German high command apparently is making desperate efforts to hold open the base of the salient between Soissons and Rheims until troops far down the center of the great pocket toward the Marne can be withdrawn. With French and American troops hammering away from the west and French, British and Italian forces battering at the east flank of the German position, it was still far from certain tonight that the enemy would be able to get his forces out of the northern end of the salient without terrific losses.

**Take 20,000 Prisoners.**  
Already great numbers of prisoners and guns have been taken by the American and allied forces. The only estimate from official sources covering the aggregate captures by French, American and Italian troops during the first two days of the counter offensive gave 20,000 as the probable number. There are indications that the number captured on Sunday might be greater, although enemy withdrawal from the Marne and Chateau Thierry sectors probably accounted in some part for the swiftness of the advances made during that day.  
The situation on the flanks of the salient was not so clear tonight. Apparently the enemy is fighting hard to hold his position around Oulchy-le-Chateau, where a railway line from Fismes, probably his chief advance base and located at the approximate center of the base line of the salient between Soissons and Rheims, has permitted him to assemble considerable forces to resist the Franco-American advance.

**May Turn Into Rout.**  
Should the counter attack succeed in forcing this position or in breaking through either to the north or south of Oulchy, it is indicated that the German defeat might be turned into a disastrous rout.  
If the Franco-British-Italian forces, as officers here hope, are able to break through strong enemy concentrations toward Rheims, itself, disaster would threaten the German position south of this place.

**Missing Balloon and Occupants Land Safely**  
Chatham, Mass., July 22.—A dirigible balloon which has been missing from the naval aviation station here since Friday landed at Summerside, N. S., according to word received tonight. Its three occupants are safe.

**Candidates for Annapolis.**  
Washington, July 22.—(Special.)—Representative Lobeck today designated the following Omaha boys to take the examination in February for entrance to the naval academy: Osmond Harlow Phillips, Oswald Merger, Clifford L. Larson, Robert Sylvester Bertschy, Josephus Asa Briggs. Mr. Lobeck has two vacancies at Annapolis to fill.

### FIRE AND RUINS IN WAKE OF HUNS WHEN ALLIES GAIN UPPER HAND

Yanks Push Four Miles Forward on Southern Bank of Stream; Many More Prisoners Taken as Pursuit Continues

**BULLETIN.**  
Washington, July 22.—Franco-American troops, continuing their advance south of the Ourcq river, crossed the Soissons-Chateau Thierry road between the Ourcq and the Cligon Sunday night, General Pershing reported in today's communique.

The towns of Bezu, Epieds and Charveves have been occupied by the allied troops. American troops also have crossed the Marne and occupied towns on the north bank, which, the communique says, the Germans hastily evacuated.

### REPORT STEAMER IN DISTRESS OFF MASSACHUSETTS

Possibly Victim of Submarine Attack; Heavy Firing Is Heard; No Definite Information Received.

Nantucket, Mass., July 22.—An airplane which landed at the village of Wauwinnet tonight brought word that a steamer was in distress near Great Round Shoals, about five miles off the eastern end of the island. The vessel was described as in need of immediate assistance, but the nature of its injuries was not disclosed.

After requesting that the Navy department be notified and that word be sent also to the nearest coast guard station, the aviator again ascended and was lost to view.

The crew of the Coskata coast guard station has gone to the assistance of the vessel. The sea is calm. The village of Wauwinnet is at the extreme eastern end of the island. Great Round Shoal is 15 nautical miles distance from the point off Orleans on the Cape Cod coast where a German submarine sank empty coal barges yesterday.

In the absence of any definite information it was thought that the steamer possibly was the victim of a submarine attack. Whether it was a merchant steamer or a naval vessel was not disclosed.

Sounds of heavy firing were heard this afternoon in the general direction of the shoals, but thick haze prevented observation from shore.

**Planned for 100,000 Germans to Invade Mexico Before War**  
New York, July 22.—That Teutonic conspirators planned, even after this country's entrance into the war, to use German reservists to invade Canada and Mexico is indicated in the seized correspondence of Dr. Frederick August Richard von Stensch, according to federal officials. Von Stensch, when arrested, was described as a former protégé of Bismarck. Today he was described as a relative of the objects of the proposed invasions, according to the authorities, were to hamper the despatch of Canadian troops abroad and to join armed Mexicans for the purpose of making an attack on the United States.

Federal officers believe Alexandra Varda, better known as the countess von Scheele, was the author of letters signed "L" which were found in the belongings of Von Stensch. The woman was arrested shortly after Von Stensch's apprehension last week. In these letters were sentences indicating that between November 1915, and April 20, 1917, plots were in existence for 25,000 German reservists to cross from Buffalo, N. Y., to Bridgeburg, Ont., and for 100,000 Germans to enter Mexico at unnamed points along the Rio Grande.

**Red Cross Specifies Who May Enlist in Service**  
New York, July 22.—To correct the impression that women with near relatives in the army or navy cannot enroll in the army nurse corps for service abroad, the Atlantic division of the Red Cross today announced that "nurses who wish to engage in special service abroad for the Red Cross and other women not under direct military control are the only ones forbidden to cross to the other side."

## 60 INCHES TALL, 110 POUNDS, NEW REQUIREMENT

Physical Standards for Drafted Men Changed to Include Larger Stature; Regular Army Same.

Washington, July 22.—Physical requirements for drafted men have been amended so as to make the minimum height 60 inches and the minimum weight 110 pounds.

The minimum requirements as to height for the regular army remains at 62 inches.

**Mrs. Rose Ohaus Resigns Place as Board Superintendent**  
Mrs. Rose Ohaus tendered her resignation as superintendent of the Board of Public Welfare at a meeting held last night. The board did not accept the resignation, voting to hold it over for consideration at a later meeting.

"My resignation is offered," stated Mrs. Ohaus, "that there may be no embarrassment of the board by the holding over of old officers in the new administration."  
"I am anxious for the work to proceed unhampered and value the future of the welfare work in Omaha more than I do my personal part in it."  
Mrs. E. B. Towle and Mrs. Jennie Califfas, the new members, were present. Mrs. Califfas was elected secretary of the board.  
The next meeting will be held Monday, July 29, at 11 a. m.

**Burning Villages.**  
That the Germans now realize, to the full that the allies have the upper hand in the battle seems apparent from reports that they are burning villages behind them in their retreat and destroying large quantities of munitions and war materials throughout the entire section where they have found it impossible to move, owing to the rapid strides of the allies. Big guns now are throwing shells far behind the lines searching out the entire countryside, while allied airplanes are harrying the retreating columns with machine gun fire.

The efforts of the Germans to retard the Franco-American forces were particularly heavy Monday in the regions of Croisilles and Bezu-St. Germain, respectively, northwest and north of Chateau Thierry, and to the east of Chateau Thierry, where the Americans are giving battle. On all three sectors the enemy lost further ground, and his forces in the Chateau Thierry pocket were therefore placed in greater jeopardy.

Realizing the seriousness of his predicament, the German crown prince is said to have sent out distress signals to his cousin, Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria, whose men are facing the British in France and Flanders. Rupprecht dispatched several divisions of reserves. To offset this Field Marshal Haig immediately detached an equal number of divisions of picked British troops from Picardy and moved them into the battle area southwest of Rheims.

The latest German official communication says in Sunday's fighting between the Aisne and the Marne complete success rested with the German arms.  
In France and Flanders the British continue to harass the German lines with small attacks while the Italians are keeping up their pressure against the Austrians both in the Italian theater and in Albania. In the latter region considerable ground has been gained along the Devoli river.  
**All Quiet, Says Berlin.**  
Berlin, via London, July 22.—The official communication issued by the war office this evening says: "Quiet reigns at many points of the battle front, on the Aisne and Marne. There have been local engagements south of the Ourcq."